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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING ON-LINE WELLNESS AND
RETAIN ACCESS THROUGH A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK

To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

The present Preliminary Amendment is filed CONCURRENTLY with the Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) with regard to the above-captioned application. This CPA and Preliminary Amendment are filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2001.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Cancel Claim 1. Claims 2 – 80 were cancelled in the transmittal letter.

Please add the following claims:

81. A method of providing wellness-related services, including at least one of wellness, health, or fitness services through a publicly accessible distributed network to